

Title (en)

Lens assembly with integrated feedback loop for focus adjustment

Title (de)

Linsenanordnung mit integrierter Rückkopplungsschaltung zur Fokuseinstellung

Title (fr)

Ensemble lentille à boucle de rétroaction intégrée pour un ajustement de foyer

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Abstract (en)

[origin: EP2778734A1] This invention provides a removably mountable lens assembly for a vision system camera that includes an integral auto-focusing liquid lens unit, in which the lens unit compensates for focus variations by employing a feedback control circuit that is integrated into the body of the lens assembly. The feedback control circuit receives motion information related to the bobbin of the lens from a position sensor (e.g. a Hall sensor) and uses this information internally to correct for motion variations that deviate from the lens setting position at a desired lens focal distance setting. Illustratively, the feedback circuit can be interconnected with one or more temperature sensors that adjust the lens setting position for a particular temperature value. In addition, the feedback circuit can communicate with an accelerometer that reads a direction of gravity and thereby corrects for potential sag in the lens membrane based upon the spatial orientation of the lens.

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